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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1800B3-DW

Salem Media of New York, LLC James P. Riley, Esquire Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, P.L.C. 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, 1300 North 17<sup>th</sup> Street Arlington, Virginia 22209

In re: WAMD(AM), Aberdeen, MD

Facility ID No. 39550 Silent Since January 10, 2010 Request For Special Temporary Authority To Remain Silent

Dear Mr. Riley:

This letter concerns your request, filed on February 12, 2010, on behalf of Salem Media of New York, LLC ("Salem"), for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to permit Station WAMD(AM) to remain silent.

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Your request states that WAMD(AM) went silent on January 10, 2010, due to financial reasons. Your request includes the appropriate certification regarding Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. 1

Your request will be granted. Accordingly, Special Temporary Authority is granted to permit Station WAMD(AM) to remain silent not to exceed 180 days from the date of this letter. Notwithstanding the grant of this Special Temporary Authority, the broadcast license for WAMD(AM) will automatically expire as a matter of law if broadcast operations do not commence by 12:01 a.m. on January 11, 2011.2 See Section 312(g) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 312(g).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the event extension of special temporary authority is sought, please renew the certification in this matter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Notification of resumption of broadcast operations must be electronically filed or mailed to:

The station's silent status does not suspend the licensee's obligation to comply with all other relevant Commission rules, including the filing, when appropriate, of applications for renewal of broadcast license. Finally, we note that it is imperative to the safety of air navigation that any prescribed painting and illumination of the stations' tower shall be maintained. *See* 47 C.F.R. Sections 17.6 and 73.1740(a)(4).

Sincerely,

H. Taft Snowdon

Supervisory Attorney

Audio Services Division

Mass Media Bureau